

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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PERFORMANCE OF NGOS IN LITERACY CAMPAIGN

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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of literacy projects approved by the National Literacy Mission for Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) during each of the last three years, especially in tribal areas, State-wise and Union Territory-wise;
- (b) whether the performance of the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) has been reviewed; (
- (c) if so, the details thereof ;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to take action against those Non-Governmental Organisations not having satisfactory performance; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH )

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 272 asked by Shri Sub hash Suresh Chandra Deshmukh to be answered on 4.12.2007 regarding Performance of NGOs in Literacy Campaign.

(a) Under the National Literacy Mission, financial assistance is provided to NGOs for taking up literacy projects like basic literacy, post literacy, continuing education and innovative projects for compact and limited areas of the district, publication of neo-literates magazines, undertaking research studies, conducting conferences/ seminars for promoting literacy etc. The number of such projects sanctioned to NGOs during the last three years, state-wise, is enclosed at annexure. In addition, State Resource Centres (SRCs) are also set up under the aegis of NGOs for providing academic and technical resource support for the literacy programmes. During the last three years, one new State Resource Centre was sanctioned for the state of Chattisgarh in 2006-07. No literacy project was sanctioned exclusively in Tribal Areas during this period.

(b) & (c) Performance of the NGOs is being reviewed through their quarterly and annual progress reports. The performance of SRCs is also reviewed through Annual Action Plan meetings.

(d) & (e) Information about unsatisfactory performance of NGOs received are referred to the concerned State Governments or separately enquired into by this Department. Further release of grants is withheld for such projects pending outcome of the investigation.